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In the Matter of

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James L. Bosworth,

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ORDER

An Attorney At Law

(Heather & Balan

(Attorney No. 018291975)

The Disciplinary Review Board having filed with the Court its decision in DRB 18-398, concluding that **James L. Bosworth** of **Hoboken**, who was admitted to the bar of this State in 1975, should be suspended from the practice of law for a period of one year for violating <u>RPC</u> 1.8(a)(2)(in a business transaction with a client, failure to advise the client in writing of the desirability of seeking the advice of independent counsel), <u>RPC</u> 1.8(a)(3)(in a business transaction with a client, failure to obtain the client's informed written consent to the essential terms of the transaction), and <u>RPC</u> 1.15(d)(recordkeeping violations);

And the Court having determined from its review of the matter that a six-month suspension is the appropriate quantum of discipline for respondent's unethical conduct;

And good cause appearing;

It is ORDERED that **James L. Bosworth** is suspended from the practice of law for a period of six months, effective February 28, 2020, and until the further Order of the Court; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent comply with Rule 1:20-20 dealing with

suspended attorneys; and it is further

ORDERED that pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 1:20-20(c), respondent's failure to comply with the Affidavit of Compliance requirement of <u>Rule</u> 1:20-20(b)(15) may (1) preclude the Disciplinary Review Board from considering respondent's petition for reinstatement for a period of up to six months from the date respondent files proof of compliance; (2) be found to constitute a violation of <u>RPC</u> 8.1(b) and <u>RPC</u> 8.4(d); and (3) provide a basis for an action for contempt pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 1:10-2; and it is further

ORDERED that the entire record of this matter be made a permanent part of respondent's file as an attorney at law of this State; and it is further

ORDERED that respondent reimburse the Disciplinary Oversight Committee for appropriate administrative costs and actual expenses incurred in the prosecution of this matter, as provided in <u>Rule</u> 1:20-17.

WITNESS, the Honorable Stuart Rabner, Chief Justice, at Trenton, this 28th day of January, 2020.

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT